IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of Lars Christian RØNN et al Serial No.

Filed: [herewith]

For: NCAM BINDING COMPOUNDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-55 and substitute the following new claims therefor:

the most 12 amino acid residues from the amino acid sequence having at neural cell adhesion molecule (NCAM), or a mimic thereof comprising an amino acid sequence having at the most 12 amino acid residues, said compound comprising

the sequence $(K/R_{\odot,\rm cl}-K/R-X-K/R)\,,$ wherein X is any amino acid, and/or

the sequence (X/R) M X-X+(K/R)-X-(E/D)-(L/I/V/F)-X-(L/I/V/F), wherein X is any amine acid residue, and/or